

LIBERIA

Tariff item number	Description of goods	Unit	Existing rate of duty incl. surtax	Desired rate of duty	Remarks
Sched. 4, no. 3 c	Cigars	ad val.	46 %	23 %	
Sched. 5, no. 3	Manufactures of jute, hemp, sisal, coir, ramie, raffia and of other textile fibres, not specially provided for	do.	34,5 %	17 %	
Ex Sched. 6, no. 3	Plywoods	do.	34,5 %	17 %	
Sched. 9, no. 1 g	Insulated wire and insulators, not otherwise provided for, lighting fixtures, plugs, outlets, lamps, and incandescent bulbs	do.	23 %	12 %	
Ex Sched. 9, no. 1j	a. Radioreceivers b. Radioreceiving valves c. Parts for radioreceivers	do.	23,75%	15%	
Ex Sched. 10 no. 2	Quinine-products	do.	11,5%	consol.	

DELEGATION BELGO-NETHERLANDS-LUXEMBOURGEOISE  
BELGIAN-NETHERLANDS-LUXEMBURG DELEGATION

Les demandes reprises dans cette liste doivent couvrir non seulement les exemptions ou les droits de douane indiqués au tarif des droits d'entrée, mais également les autres taxes de toute nature perçues sur matière d'importation, à l'exception seulement:

1. des taxes appliquées en compensation ou en équivalence de celles frappant les produits indigènes identiques;
2. des droits, taxes et redevances dont la perception reste autorisée par l'article VIII de l'Accord Général sur les Tarifs Douaniers et le Commerce et l'article 36 de la Charte de la Havane et dans les limites fixées par ces articles.

Annexy, avril 1949.

The requests appearing in this list should not only cover the exemptions or the customs duties indicated in the Customs Duty Tariff, but likewise all other taxes levied with respect to importation, excluding only:

1. taxes levied in compensation or in equivalence of those on identical domestic products;
2. taxes, duties and charges, the levying of which is authorized under article VIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and article 36 of the Havana Charter, and within the limits fixed by these articles.

Annexy, April 1949.

TARIFF CONCESSIONS REQUESTED BY LIBERIA FROM BENELUX

<u>Tariff Item</u>	<u>Description of Product</u>		<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Requested Rate</u>
Chapter 9 63a	Coffee, not roasted....	100kg	600fr.	Free
Chapter 12 83b	Copra....		Free	Bound
83c	Palm kernels....		Free	Bound
88b	Plants, parts of plants, seeds and fruits, used in the perfumery trade or in medicine. Used in medicine....		Free	Bound
Chapter 14 8x98	Kassava....		Free	Bound
Chapter 15 1051 1.	Palm oil, crude....		Free	Bound
Chapter 18 127a	Cocoa, raw bean....		10%	Free
Chapter 36 348	Hides or skins, raw (Fresh, salted, dried, limed, pickled, etc.)....		Free	Bound
Chapter 39 369	Rubber, crude....		Free	Bound

DÉLÉGATION BELGO-NÉERLANDO-LUXEMBOURGEOISE  
BELGIAN - NETHERLANDS - LUXEMBURG DELEGATION  
BELGISCH - NEDERLANDS - LUXEMBURGSE DELEGATIE

Annecy, le 12 mai 1949

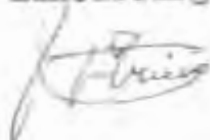
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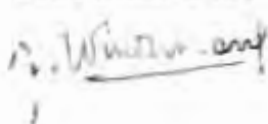
Monsieur le Secrétaire Exécutif,

Conformément aux prescriptions des documents GATT/TN/A/1 et GATT/TN/A/4, j'ai l'honneur de vous transmettre, en annexe, deux exemplaires de la liste des offres de concessions tarifaires que les Gouvernements de Benelux se proposent d'accorder à la Colombie et au Libéria.

Le Secrétaire de la  
délégation Belgo-  
Luxembourgeoise,



Le Secrétaire de  
la délégation  
néerlandaise,



Monsieur Wyndham-White  
Secrétaire Exécutif de GATT  
Hôtel Verdun,  
ANNECY

PRELIMINARY LIST OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS WHICH THE BELGIAN-  
NETHERLANDS-LUXEMBURG CUSTOMS UNION PROPOSES TO ACCORD TO

L I B E R I A

BeNeLux Tariff Item nr.	Description of products	Autonomous rate of duty	Conventional rate of duty GATT	Requested rate of duty	Offer
83 b	Coprah	free	free	free	(N)
83 c	Palm nuts	free	free	free	(N)
88 b	Plants, parts of plants, seeds and fruits used for perfumery or in medicine, not elsewhere specified or included	specification requested.			
ex 90	Piassava, crude	free	free	free	(N)
105	Fixed oils, liquid or solid of vegetable origin, crude, purified or refined:				
	1. Palm:				
	1. crude	free	free	free	(N)
127	Cacao in beans, whole or broken:				
	a. raw	10 p.c.	10 p.c.	free	(N)
348	Raw hides or skins (fresh, salted, dried, limed, pickled, etc.)	free	free	free	(N)
ex 369	Rubber, crude	free	free	free	(N)

(N) A concession has been granted in the course of earlier negotiations, the benefit of which will accrue to the requesting country under article I of GATT. The concession appears in the column "Conventional rate of duty GATT".

## INITIAL LIST OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS OFFERED BY LIBERIA TO

BENNELEX

May 10, 1949

<u>Tariff Item</u>	<u>Description of Product</u>	<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Offered Rate</u>
103.4	Cigars... ad.val.	40%	30%
103.5	Manufactures of jute, hemp, sisal, coir, ramie, raffia and other textile fibers, n.s.p.f.... ad.val.	30%	15%
103.6	Plywoods... ad.val.	30%	15%
103.8	Insulated wire, and insulators, n.o.p. lighting fixtures, plugs, outlets, lamps and incandescent bulbs... ad.val.	20%	15%
103.9	Radio receivers, radio receiving valves and parts for radio receivers... ad.val.	25%	20%
103.10	Quinine products... ad.val.	10%	Free

Note

All tariff rates listed do not include the surtax of 15% of the amount to be paid.

LIBERIAN DELEGATION  
GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE  
ANNEX

REVISED LIST OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS OFFERED BY LIBERIA  
TO BENLUX

TWO COPIES OF REVISED LIST  
AND TWO COPIES OF MEMORANDUM  
FOR THE SECRETARIAT.

May 12, 1949



MEMORANDUM

From: The Liberian Delegation

May 12, 1949

To: The Benelux Delegation

Subject: Revised Offer List

The attached list of concessions offered by Liberia has been revised inkeeping with the list of concessions offered by Benelux. The initial offer by Liberia was based on the assumption that the Benelux offer would include some concessions which could conceivably result in increasing Liberian exports to the Benelux group in the foreseeable future. The Benelux offer merely maintains the status quo ante Geneva, and if accepted would leave the position of Liberian exports to the Benelux countries exactly the same as if the Geneva and Annecy negotiations had never taken place. It is therefore difficult to find in this initial offer that degree of mutual and reciprocal benefit which the General Agreement presupposes.

We are, however, mindful of the total cumulative effect of the concessions already made by the contracting parties as well as the general purposes and objectives of the General Agreement upon world economy in reducing or eliminating trade barriers. To further this whole movement Liberia is prepared to make concessions which mean a direct reduction in Government revenue. But such concessions must of necessity be more limited in scope than would be the case if the offer made by Benelux to Liberia included some concessions which could result in an immediate increase in Liberian exports.

The revised offer attached is as far as we are prepared to go unless a way can be found to meet at least in part our



MEMORANDUM (Cont.)

requests on coffee and cacao. We are aware of course of the difficulty in meeting these requests, which Benelux has not granted to the principal suppliers of these two commodities, but we must point out that according to our records Benelux is not the principal supplier of any of the items covered by its request or carried on our revised offer list, and that if this doctrine of the "principal supplier" is rigidly adhered to there is no basis for reciprocal arrangements of any kind between Benelux and Liberia.

REVISED LIST OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS GRANTED BY LIBERIA TO

BENELUX

May, 13, 1949

<u>Tariff</u> <u>Item</u>	<u>Description of Product</u>	<u>Present</u> <u>Rate</u>	<u>Offered</u> <u>Rate</u>
Feb. 4	Cigars... ad.val.	40%	30%
Feb. 5	Manufactures of jute, hemp, sisal coir, ramie, raffia and other textile fibers, n.s.p.f... ad.val.	30%	15%
Feb. 6	Plywoods... ad.val.	30%	15%
Feb. 10	Quinine and quinine products... ad.val.	10%	Free

NOTE:

Imports are also subject to a surtax of 15% of duty.

Annecy, May 27th, 1949.

To: The Executive Secretary  
of the Contracting Parties  
to the General Agreement on  
Tariffs and Trade,

A N N E C Y.-

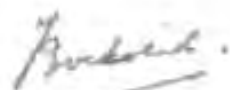
Sir,

In accordance with the recommendations of the Tariff Negotiations Working Party (document GATT/TN.1/16, of May 20th, 1949), we beg to inform you that the tariff negotiations between the Benelux countries (metropolitan territories and overseas territories) and Liberia have been concluded on May 25th, 1949.

Enclosed you will find two copies of the final lists of concessions which the two parties accorded to each other.

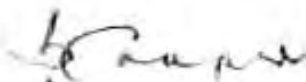
Yours sincerely,

For Benelux:



J. Boekstal  
Head of the  
Benelux  
Negotiating Team

For Liberia:



John W. Cooper  
Head of the  
Liberian Delegation

## FINAL LIST OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS OFFERED BY LIBERIA TO BURUNDI

No.	Description of product	Present Rate	Offered Rate
1	Cheese and cheese products.....per lb.	6 cts	Bound
	Condensed, evaporated or dried milk, per lb	2 cts	Bound
4	Cigars.....ad val.	40%	30%
5	Manufactures of jute, hemp, sisal, coir, ramie, raffia and other textile fibers, n,s,p.f. .... a d val.	30%	15%
6	Plywoods ..... ad val.	30%	15%
8	Enameled pots, pans and other kitchen ware ..... ad val.	30%	Bound
9	Insulated wire, and insulators, n.o.s. lighting fixtures, plugs, outlets, lamps and incadescent bulbs ..... ad val.	20%	Bound
11	Radio receivers, radio receiving valves valves and parts for radio receivers ad val.	25%	Bound
30	Quinine and quinine products .....	10%	Free
	Ready mixed paints, stains, enamels, lacquers, varnishes and liquid driers ..... imp.gal.	36 cts	Bound

Note:

All imports are also subject to a surtax of 15% of duty

w.s. J. W. Cooper

Dated-  
May 25, 1949.

## LIBERIA

sur le tarif commun de l'Union économique belgo-luxembourgeoise et des Pays-Bas, arrêtée de commun accord le 25 mai 1949, sous réserve de son incorporation, avec ou sans modifications, à l'Accord général sur les tarifs douaniers et le commerce

Nos. du Tarif de Bruxelles	Dénomination des Marchandises	Droits applicables	Droits actuels
83	Grains et fruits oléagineux, même concassés ou moulus:		
	b. Cacao (x).....	exemption	exemption
	c. Noix palmistes (x).....	exemption	exemption
88	Plantes, parties de plantes, graines et fruits utilisés en parfumerie ou en médecine, non dénommés ni compris ailleurs:		
	b. utilisés en médecine: Pêves de calabar(*)	exemption	exemption
98	Matières végétales pour balais et broasses, même en torsades ou en faisceaux, brutes, blanchies ou teintes (sorgho, piassava, chicopant et similaires):		
	ex. Piassava, brut.....	exemption	exemption
105	Huiles fixes, liquides ou concrètes, d'origine végétale, brutes, épurées ou raffinées:		
	i. de palme:	exemption	exemption

Note : Les produits repris sous le no. 105 sont exempts du droit de monopole néerlandais ou de la charge correspondante belgo-luxembourgeoise, s'ils sont destinés à subir ultérieurement un traitement industriel, pour autant que l'importation s'effectue sous le contrôle du Monopole néerlandais ou de l'Organisation belgo-luxembour-

général correspondant.  
Pour les produits importés par d'autres  
conditions, le droit de monopole néerlandais  
ou la charge correspondante belge-  
luxembourgeoise ne sont pas consolidés.

127	Cacao en fèves et brisures de fèves: a. bruts (x) .....	10 p.c. %	10 p.c. %
348	Peaux brutes (fraîches, salées, séchées, chaulées, picklées, etc.) .....	exemption	exemption
369	Caoutchouc, gatta-percha, balata et leurs succédanés, bruts: ex a. Caoutchouc naturel .....	exemption	exemption

(x) Note: Les produits sous rubrique sont exempts du droit de monopole néerlandais  
ou de la charge correspondante belge-luxembourgeoise.



LIBERIA

on the joint tariff of the Belgian-Luxemburg Economic Union and the Netherlands, as agreed on May 25th, 1949, subject to its incorporation, with or without modifications, in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

BeNeLux Tariff Item Number	Description of products	Rate of duty	Present Duty
83	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, whether or not crushed or ground:		
	<b>b.</b> Copra (x).....	free	free
	<b>c.</b> Palm nuts (x).....	free	free
88	Plants, parts of plants, seeds and fruits used for perfumery or in medicine, not elsewhere specified or included:		
	ex <b>i.</b> used in medicine: Calabar beans (x)	free	free
98	Vegetable material for brooms and brushes, whether twisted or bound together or not, raw, bleached or stained (borgho, piassava, couchgrass and the like):		
	ex: Piassava, crude .....	free	free
105	Fixed oils, liquid or solid, of vegetable origin, crude, purified or refined:		
	<b>i.</b> Palm:		
	1. crude .....	free	free
	<b>NOTE:</b> The products provided for under Item number 105 are free from Netherlands monopoly duty or corresponding Belgian-Luxemburg charge, if imported for processing purposes under control of the Netherlands Monopoly or of the corresponding Belgian-Luxemburg Organisation. If otherwise imported the Netherlands monopoly duty and the corresponding Belgian-Luxemburg charge are not bound.		



BeNeLux Tariff Item Number	Description of products	Rate of duty	Present duty
127	Cocoa in beans, whole or broken: <u>a.</u> raw (x).....	10 p.c.	10 p.c.
348	Raw hides or skins (fresh, salted, dried, limed, pickled, etc.).....	free	free
369	Rubber, gutta-percha, balata and substitutes therefor, raw: <u>a.</u> rubber, natural .....	free	free

(x) Note: Free from Netherlands monopoly duty or corresponding Belgian-Luxembourg charge.

## LIBERIA

sur le tarif commun de l'Union économique belgo-luxembourgeoise et des Pays-Bas, arrêté de commun accord le 25 mai 1949, sous réserve de son incorporation, avec ou sans modifications, à l'Accord général sur les tarifs douaniers et le commerce.

Nos. du Tarif de Bruxelles	Dénomination des Marchandises	Droits applicables	Droits actuels
83	Graines et fruits oléagineux, même concassés ou moulus:		
	b. Coprah (x).....	exemption	exemption
	c. Noix palmistes (x).....	exemption	exemption
89	Plantes, parties de plantes, graines et fruits utilisés en parfumerie ou en médecine, non dénommés ni compris ailleurs:		
	ex b. utilisés en médecine: Fèves de calabar	exemption	exemption
98	Matières végétales pour balais et broses, même en terrades ou en faisceaux, brutes, blanchies ou teintées (sorgho, piassava, chiendent et similaires):		
	ex. Piassava, brut.....	exemption	exemption
105	Huiles fixes, liquides ou concrètes, d'origine végétale, brutes, épurées ou raffinées:		
	i. de palme:		
	1. brute.....	exemption	exemption

Note : Les produits repris sous le no. 105 sont exempts du droit de monopole néerlandais ou de la charge correspondante belgo-luxembourgeoise, s'ils sont destinés à subir ultérieurement un traitement industriel, pour autant que l'importation s'effectue sous le contrôle du Monopole néerlandais ou de l'Organisme belgo-luxembour-

geois correspondant.

Pour les produits importés pour d'autres conditions, le droit de monopole néerlandais ou la charge correspondante belgo-luxembourgeoise ne sont pas consolidés.

27	Cacao en fèves et brisures de fèves; g. bruts (x) .....	10 p.c. .	10 p.c. .
348	Peaux brutes (fraîches, salées, séchées, chaulées, picklées, etc.) .....	exemption	exemption
369	Caoutchouc, gutta-percha, balata et leurs succédanés, bruts; ex g. Caoutchouc naturel .....	exemption	exemption

(x) Note: Les produits sous rubrique sont exempts du droit de monopole néerlandais ou de la charge correspondante belgo-luxembourgeoise.

LIBERIA

on the joint tariff of the Belgian-Luxembourg Economic Union and the Netherlands, as agreed on May 29th, 1948, subject to its incorporation, with or without modifications, in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

BeNeLux Tariff Item Number	Description of products	Rate of duty	Present Duty
83	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits, whether or not crushed or ground:		
	b. Copra (x).....	free	free
	c. Palm nuts (x).....	free	free
88	Plants, parts of plants, seeds and fruits used for perfumery or in medicine, not elsewhere specified or included:		
	ex b. used in medicine: Calabar beans (x)	free	free
93	Vegetable material for brooms and brushes, whether twisted or bound together or not, raw, bleached or stained (sorgho, piassava, couchgrass and the like):		
	ex: Piassava, crude .....	free	free
105	Fixed oils, liquid or solid, of vegetable origin, crude, purified or refined:		
	i. Palm:		
	1. crude .....	free	free

**NOTE:** The products provided for in Item number 105 are free from Netherlands monopoly duty or corresponding Belgian-Luxembourg charge, if imported for processing purposes under control of the Netherlands Monopoly or of the corresponding Belgian-Luxembourg Organisation. If otherwise imported the Netherlands monopoly and the corresponding charge are not bound.

BenLux Tariff Item Number	Description of products	Rate of duty	Present duty
127	Cocoa in beans, whole or broken: <u>a.</u> raw (X).....	10 p.c.	10 p.c.
348	Raw hides or skins (fresh, salted, dried, limed, pickled, etc.).....	free	free
369	Rubber, gutta-percha, balata and substitutes therefor, raw: <u>or a.</u> rubber, natural .....	free	free

(X) Note: Free from Netherlands monopoly duty or corresponding Belgian-Luxemburg charge.